

Acts of Jesus, Lesson 4: You Will Receive Power notes

What does it mean to live a full life?

Jn. 10:10

- There is no such thing as a full meaningful life outside of Christ, but even in Christ is it possible to miss out on the fullness He intends? **I think so : I Cor. 9:24**
- What is a full life for the believer? Paul sums it up in his prayer for the Ephesian church **Eph. 3:14-19**

1. In our study of Acts we have come to a very important and very pivotal place as far as understanding this book is concerned.

- *We come to the place that defines what the church is:* The indwelling Spirit of God.
 - **Acts 1:4-8**

2. An accurate understanding of Holy Spirit and Pentecost is essential to our understanding of the book of Acts.

- --**V. 4** Jesus spoke often to His disciples, especially in the last days, about the coming of the Holy Spirit **Jn. 15:26**
- --Contrary to what you might think, this wasn't a new teaching, God The Father had spoken this promise in the Old Testament **Joel 2:28**

3. Some Christians seem to think that the Holy Spirit was a stranger to the Old Testament and the O. T. Saint.

- In fact, a study of Spirit as He works in the O. T. leaves us with little or no surprises of how He would work in the New.
 - He was a Teacher **Neh. 9:20**
 - He was the manifestation of God's presence **Ps. 139:7**
 - He spoke through men **Zech. 7:12**
 - He could be grieved **Is. 63:10**
 - He enabled people to do things they couldn't otherwise do.
 - Craftsmen **Ex. 35:30**
 - Leaders **Deut. 34:9**
 - Prophets and Teachers. **II Chron. 24:20**
 - Warriors **Judges 11:29**
 - Most importantly for our purposes this morning: He filled people and changed them into the people God wanted them to be. **I Sam. 10:6-7**
 - Scripture says all you have to do is ask!!! **Lk. 11:13**